

# In the Court of Appeals of the State of Alaska

**Basil Backford,**

Appellant,

v.

**State of Alaska,**

Appellee.

Court of Appeals No. **A-12995**

## **Order**

Motion for an extension of Stay

Date of Order: **9/23/2019**

Trial Court Case No. **3DI-15-00307CR**

After the Appellant, Basil J. Backford, fired his privately retained attorney, this case was stayed for 60 days to allow Mr. Backford to retain another attorney to represent him in this appeal. Mr. Backford has recently filed a pro se motion requesting an extension of that stay, explaining that he has not yet been able to retain another attorney.

The motion to continue the stay is **GRANTED**. Mr. Backford will have until October 25, 2019 to retain an attorney to represent him in this appeal. Mr. Backford's new attorney must file an entry of appearance in this case on or before October 25, 2019.

Because of the age of this appeal, no additional time will be allowed without a showing of extraordinary circumstances. If Mr. Backford has not hired a new attorney by October 25, 2019, then this Court will remand the case for another representation hearing to determine if Mr. Backford still qualifies for the assistance of counsel at public expense.

In addition to the motion to continue the stay, Mr. Backford has filed a number of other pleadings. This Court, however, has not given Mr. Backford permission to represent himself in this appeal, nor to file pleadings unrelated to his securing the

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assistance of counsel. Accordingly, the Clerk's Office shall lodge these and any other pleadings until Mr. Backford is represented by an attorney (whether privately retained or court appointed). Once Mr. Backford is again represented by an attorney, the Court will take up these additional pleadings.

Entered under the authority of Chief Judge Allard.

Clerk of the Appellate Courts



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